

grease, fatty oil, fatty acid, wax, a synthetic oil lubricant which is selected from silicones, polyphenyl ethers, silicates, chlorinated aromatics, fluorochemicals, polyglycol lubricants or greases thereof, polymerized olefins, organic esters, or an isostearyl alcohol containing two oxyethylene groups wherein said lubricant optionally contains a lubricant additive.

70. (New) The coating of claim 69 wherein the superabsorbent polymer absorbs greater than 100 times its weight in water and desorbs water when the coating is dried.

71. (New) The coating of claim 69 further comprising a viscosity modifying agent.

72. (New) The coating of claim 70 further comprising a viscosity modifying agent.

73. (New) The coating of claim 69 wherein the substrate comprises a cable.

74. (New) The coating of claim 69 wherein the substrate comprises a wire.

75. (New) The coating of claim 73 further comprising a viscosity modifying agent.

76. (New) The coating of claim 74 further comprising a viscosity modifying agent.

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77. (New) The coating of any one of claim 69, 73 or 74 wherein the coating comprises a product made by the process of combining said superabsorbent polymer with said lubricant.

78. (New) The coating of any one of claims 71, 75 or 76 where said coating comprises a product produced by the process of combining said superabsorbent polymer, lubricant and viscosity modifying agent.

79. (New) The coating of any one of claims 69-76 further comprising a binder.

80. (New) The coating of claim 79 wherein said coating comprises a product produced by the process of combining said superabsorbent polymer, said lubricant and said binder, and said viscosity modifying agent when present.

REMARKS

The Amendments

The Amendments to claim 57 define the lubricants which the written description supports at pages 6-19. The Amendment to claim 68 corrects the spelling of "superabsorbents." New claims 69-80 relate to a substantially anhydrous coating which the first sentence on page 32 as well as the paragraph bridging 31 and 32 support. Claims 69-80 also include a coating on at least one surface of two surfaces that frictionally engage one another, which the last sentence in paragraph 3 on page 20 supports.

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